## Abstract of the Disclosure

An apparatus and method for protecting synchronous generators against offnominal frequency deviation and alternating forces excitation is provided. Particular
application can be found with generators within a power generator plant integrated
into a power transmission grid system. A electrical relay system is in operative
association with an electrical signal representative of an actual frequency at which the
generator is operating and to an electrical signal representative of an actual forcing
amount at which the generator is operating. The relay system is adapted to respond to
the actual frequency signal and the actual forcing signal such that the relay system
compares the actual frequency signal with a predetermined desired frequency range
and compares the actual forcing signal with at least one predetermined forcing
amount, and selectively alarms the unit operator or trips the generator to an off-line
mode depending upon the comparisons.

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